



IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Frederic SGIER et al.

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Application No. 10/766,911 Group 3733

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Examiner Richard Shaffer

VERTEBRAL ARTHRODESIS DEVICE

AMENDMENT

MS AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 18, 2006

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of October 18, 2005, for which the period for response has been extended three months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.